

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 1:18-CR-02945-WJ

JANY LEVEILLE,
SIRAJ IBN WAHHAJ,
HUJRAH WAHHAJ,
SUBHANAH WAHHAJ and
LUCAS MORTON,

Defendants.

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

September 12, 2018

(1:03 p.m., Rio Grande Courtroom)

Detention Hearing

BEFORE THE HONORABLE KIRTAN KHALSA

United States Magistrate Judge

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1 Q. And where are you currently assigned?
 2 A. The Santa Fe office.
 3 Q. Did you at some point become involved in an
 4 investigation involving the defendants who are seated here
 5 at the table?
 6 A. Yes, sir.
 7 Q. Okay. Can you identify these defendants?
 8 A. Yes, sir.
 9 Q. And do you see here today Jany Leveille?
 10 A. Yes, sir.
 11 Q. Siraj Ibn Wahhaj?
 12 A. Yes, sir.
 13 Q. Hujrah Wahhaj?
 14 A. Yes, sir.
 15 Q. Subhanah Wahhaj?
 16 A. Yes, sir.
 17 Q. And Lucas Morton?
 18 A. Yes, sir.
 19 Q. And can you tell me how you became involved in the
 20 investigation that resulted in the Indictment against
 21 them?
 22 A. We were asked by Taos County Sheriffs for assistance
 23 in a case approximately June 17 (indiscernible, audio
 24 skips) asked for assistance because they believed that
 25 Siraj Wahhaj and (minor's name - A.G.) were located on the

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1 property.
 2 Q. Okay. And I'd like to caution you that we may be
 3 discussing minors, including deceased minors and minors
 4 who are currently victims. If you could please refrain
 5 from using their names.
 6 A. Yes, sir.
 7 Q. Okay. I think we can use their initials. And what
 8 was it about A.L. that Taos County needed your assistance
 9 with?
 10 A. They needed to locate that -- that he was on the
 11 property in order to execute a warrant.
 12 Q. And why -- why did they need to execute a warrant?
 13 A. Because there was a pick-up Order issued from Clayton
 14 County P.D. in Georgia.
 15 Q. And what was the substance of this pick-up Order?
 16 A. That A.G. was taken from his biological mother and --
 17 without notice as to where he was being taken and she had
 18 not received responses to where A.G. was being taken.
 19 Q. Do you know when or about this pick-up Order was
 20 issued?
 21 A. A missing persons report was filed on December 10th,
 22 and a pick-up Order was filed on December 20th.
 23 Q. Okay. And December 10th and December 20th of what
 24 year?
 25 A. 2017.

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1 Q. And were there subsequent pick-up Orders or Orders of
 2 the same kind that were issued by that Court?
 3 A. To my knowledge, that one that I've seen is from
 4 December 20th.
 5 Q. Do you know who filed the missing persons report?
 6 A. Hakima Ramzi.
 7 Q. And that information is based on what?
 8 A. The fact that A.G. was taken from her home on
 9 approximately November 27th, and was not given back to her
 10 and she could not find out where A.G. was being taken.
 11 Q. And how did you learn that Hakima Ramzi had filed a
 12 missing person report?
 13 A. Through the missing persons report and through
 14 interviews with Hakima Ramzi and Jamella Gihad.
 15 Q. And who is Jamella Gihad?
 16 A. The step-mother to Siraj Wahhaj, Subhanah Wahhaj,
 17 Hujrah Wahhaj and that would be it.
 18 Q. And to your knowledge, who was the biological mother
 19 of A.L.?
 20 A. Hakima Ramzi.
 21 Q. And how old was A.L. when he was reported missing?
 22 A. Three.
 23 Q. Did A.L., at the time he was reported missing, have
 24 any medical conditions or any characteristics that were of
 25 concern to Ms. Ramzi?

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1 A. Yes, sir.
 2 Q. What were they?
 3 A. H.I.E., hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy, I think. Is
 4 that how you pronounce it?
 5 Q. It's difficult to pronounce.
 6 A. Yes.
 7 Q. Can you describe what that is?
 8 A. The -- A.G. would suffer from prolonged seizures due
 9 to the condition he received at birth, H.I.E.
 10 Q. And according to his mother, as reported to Clayton
 11 County Police Department, did he require any kind of
 12 medical attention or medication for this condition?
 13 A. Yes, sir.
 14 Q. And was this attention something that he required on
 15 a continual basis?
 16 A. Yes, sir.
 17 Q. And that's according to the missing persons report,
 18 and to the pick-up Order. Is that right?
 19 A. Yes, sir.
 20 Q. Did you learn -- well, let me ask you this. Who is
 21 A.L.'s biological father?
 22 A. Siraj Wahhaj.
 23 Q. Was Siraj Wahhaj married to Hakima Ramzi?
 24 A. Yes.
 25 Q. And that was a lawful, legal marriage?

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